

CAR SERVICE CUT DOWN TO RAISE PROFITS

Traffic Problems Created by Roads Themselves, Says Investigator.

The New York street railway companies have been steadily and systematically reducing their car service in spite of increased traffic, public clamor and the charter stipulations requiring them to give an adequate service.

This statement is made upon the authority of Robert Kelley Prentice, Chairman of the Transit Committee of Thirty-five appointed by the Executive Committee of the Republican County Committee, who has been investigating the situation.

The committee holds its final meeting for receiving reports this afternoon at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, and those reports will disclose a disgraceful state of affairs.

While the public has been calling for some part of the due from the street car companies, Mr. Prentice, "the companies have been playing a game of hide-and-seek. They have talked about the enormous increase of traffic, and the public have been hypnotized into believing that New York transit problems have grown beyond the power of the companies to deal with them.

Crash Due Wholly to Companies. All the time they have been making these arguments there has been a steady decrease in the number of cars operated. The crash in New York is due almost entirely to this reduction of car service.

Our committee reports will show that many, if not all, the lines are grossly overworked, and that the street car companies are not doing their duty. They are bound to do their duty, and if they do not, we will see to it that they are.

KEPT IN PRISON ON FALSE CHARGE

Officer Said Thorley Had Stabbed a Woman and Produced Weapon.

William Thorley, a young longshoreman, of No. 80 Charles street, was arraigned in Jefferson Market Court today after having been locked up since Sunday night. He had not been admitted to bail because Policeman Jacob Hornbeck, of the Charles Street Station, had produced a long, blood-stained knife at the first arraignment and declared that Thorley's "victim," Miss Rose Quinn, was in St. Vincent's Hospital dangerously wounded.

There was some error in the policeman's statement, however. First, nobody was stabbed. Secondly, Miss Quinn had not been in the hospital at all. Thirdly, she was charged with Thorley simply with disorderly conduct in annoying her, and to-day she withdrew her charge because she thought he had been punished enough.

On top of all this Lawyer Frank A. Acker, counsel for Thorley, told the Magistrate he had run upon evidence that made it look as if Policeman Hornbeck was to "shake down" the Thorleys for having the case dropped. Magistrate Finella declared he would make an investigation and said that if he found the facts to be as stated he would prefer charges against Hornbeck.

The police had given Rose Quinn's address as No. 23 West 14th street, and Lawyer Acker found that she really lived at No. 288.

"No woman of that name," said the Mayor's clerk, "lives at No. 288. The only woman I found a woman who lives in the neighborhood who is a friend of Thorley's and who said a policeman came to him and told him that for \$5 the case against his client would be dropped."

Miss Quinn was not at all injured, she said. She said she went to the Charles Street Station Sunday night to make a complaint and that the policeman told her they would bring her when to appear in court. She had not heard from the police since and thought the man was discharged.

Miss Quinn here stepped forward and corroborated what the lawyer said.

THE BOMB LIFE.



When a bomb goes off, the throne gives a lurch. The czar realizes he is on a shaking perch.

STOCKS MIXED IN A NARROW MARKET

Reading Still Prominent in the Trading, but Price Changes Not Marked.

Light opening transactions in stocks moved prices but narrowly in the market to-day and the small gains and losses were quite evenly balanced.

Reading and National Biscuit rose a point. Delaware and Hudson fell 1 and Sugar 5-8.

A violent decline in the Canadian Pacific and Gould group was the cause of the final losses.

The total sales of stocks to-day were 713,790 shares and of bonds \$1,806,000.

The Closing Quotations.

U. S. S. P. F.	101 1/4	100 3/4	101 1/4	- 1/4
U. S. Oil	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	- 1/4
U. S. Trans.	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	- 1/4
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